

The Salt Lake Tribune.

WEATHER TODAY—Probably fair.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 24, 1909.

HURRAH FOR THE G. A. R. CONVENTION.
A one-fare rate for the round trip, provided by the Western Passenger association, means the biggest thing Salt Lake City has ever seen. It means a visit of tens of thousands of people who have never before crossed the Rockies, a visit under favorable conditions, and thousands will return and establish a permanent residence.

36 PAGES—FIVE CENTS.

ONE HUNDRED ARE RESCUED AT SEA

Wonderful Escape of Every Soul on Board Steamship Republic.

TRAPPED IN DENSE FOG BY THE STEAMER FLORIDA

Helpless on Wrecked Vessel, Men of Bringing Aid and Telling the Story.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Jan. 23.—The passengers of the White Star liner Republic, which was taken on board the steamer Florida of the Lloyd-Italian line after the collision early today, when the Republic ran aground, told what probably proved a death wound, were transferred to the Florida tonight to the liner Baltimore, a White Star ship, which was called to the rescue of the Republic.

NANTUCKET, Mass., Jan. 23.—In the early morning hours of today, the Republic was taken on board the Florida, bound to New York from Nantucket, and the Republic's passengers, who were taken on board the Florida, were transferred to the Baltimore, a White Star ship, which was called to the rescue of the Republic.

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FOUR MEN KILLED IN BIG SNOWSLIDE

Avalanche Rushes Down Mountain Over Camp Bird Mine, Ouray, Colo.

SCORES ESCAPE DEATH AS BY HAIR'S BREADTH

Will Be Midsummer Before the Bodies of the Victims Can Be Recovered.

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., Jan. 23.—Four men were killed and more than a score had a narrow escape from death when an avalanche of snow swept over the Camp Bird mine at Ouray late yesterday.

The Dead.
S. G. DOUBITT, a veterinary.
PETER SYNOD, a teamster.
GEORGE KNER, a teamster.
JOHN WITTWER, camp cook.

The four men were talking in the cookhouse, when almost without warning thousands of tons of snow, rocks and dirt swept down the mountainside. The shanty was directly in the path of the avalanche, and the men were hurled into the canyon and their bodies covered with irrefragable force. It was feared before the bodies can be recovered.

Caught in the steep mountain trails by the blizzard which raged all day are eight six-horse teams, the Camp Bird mine stage, carrying \$6000 in gold and many passengers. It was feared that they might have been in the path of the slide, and great anxiety was felt for their safety.

Many Narrow Escapes.
The avalanche which swept the men to their death was fifty feet high, and it came sweeping down the mountainside with irresistible force. The men working in the mine fled for their lives, but the shaft building was not in the path of the slide. It was close enough, however, to tremble as the avalanche rushed by.

One of the heroes of the disaster is a large dog owned by Emil Johnson, a teamster. Johnson saw the slide coming and made a desperate effort to drive out of the way. He was caught and buried deep beneath the snow. The dog had seen his master caught in the avalanche, and rushing at the snow began to dig furiously. He kept at it until he reached the buried man, and Johnson crawled out, none the worse for his experience.

Bill Barber, a teamster, saw the slide coming and unhitched one of his horses and escaped on his back, the slide missing him by only a few inches.

Came Close to Death.
"Dad" Austin, hero of many wild rides through the mountains and one of the best stage drivers in the west, heard the slide when it started. He was driving a six-horse stage filled with people, and the horses were plunging along at a gallop when he recognized the sound. Instantly he threw all his weight on the brake and succeeded in stopping the stage on the very edge of the avalanche. Two of the leading horses were cut off by the mass of snow and debris and carried down into the canyon, hundreds of feet below.

The camp of the Asenfelder freight gang was completely wiped out. Forty horses were carried into the canyon and buried under tons of snow.

Another almost miraculous escape was that of Sam Morcy, one of the freight teamsters. He reached the edge of the avalanche, when his foot slipped and he plunged into a snowbank. The slide passed over him and he crawled out in safety.

Still another teamster escaped in safety to the edge of the slide, only to be dragged from his horse and the animal thrown to the ground by the force of the wind accompanying the avalanche. He was not injured.

ANOTHER FATAL SLIDE AT MAMMOTH MINE
TELLURIDE, Colo., Jan. 23.—A snowslide at 8 o'clock this morning crashed into the Mammoth boarding house here, killed three persons and seriously injured two others.

The Dead.
MRS. CARL HODLEY.
CABLE COLLINS.
IRVING COLLINS, 4-year-old daughter of Cable.

Seriously Injured.
Joseph Collins.
Mrs. Cable Collins.
Four other persons in the boarding house escaped injury.

W. P. Mitchell, who was near the building when it was struck by the avalanche, ran two miles through four feet of snow to summon medical aid. When assistance arrived the bodies of the three killed were recovered. The seriously injured will probably recover.

NOTORIOUS DESPERADO DIES OF HIS WOUNDS
OMAHA, Jan. 23.—Hugh Jackson, alias Jack Curtis, who killed Patrolman L. A. Smith and severely wounded Detective W. G. Devereux during a revolver battle on the night of January 13, died from wounds received in the encounter. Jackson was well known to the police all over the country.

Rich Island Flooded.
ANTIOCH, Cal., Jan. 23.—All hope of closing the break made this morning in the levee on Sherman island, in southern Sacramento valley, has been abandoned and 10,000 acres of rich dairy and vegetable land will be submerged. The loss will exceed \$50,000. River steamboats are removing the imperiled residents and hundreds of head of stock.



DEFENSE OF ROADS IN MISSOURI RATE CASE

General Solicitor of the Atchison Lays Down Some Broad, Sweeping Doctrine.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 23.—It was expected that final arguments in the Missouri rate cases would be made here today in the federal court before Judge Smith McPherson. F. W. Lehman of St. Louis, attorney for the state, opened the arguments this morning, and was followed by Gardner Lathrop of Chicago, general solicitor of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway.

Mr. Lathrop declared that both the 2-cent and the maximum freight laws are void, the penalties for their violation drastic and the rates prescribed confiscatory.

Mr. Lathrop in his remarks made these declarations:
"The penalties for a violation of the state laws are so drastic and unreasonable that for that reason alone an injunction should be granted."

Claims Laws Are Void.
"The laws directly and substantially affect interstate commerce, and for that reason they are void."

The extra cost of state over interstate business, both freight and passenger, is not only proved by the evidence of witnesses, but is also conclusively shown by the actual checks made of business done on the Santa Fe road, both as to freight traffic and as to passenger traffic. The statistics show no undue stimulation of travel under the 2-cent passenger rate over its normal increase from year to year, but they do show a substantial falling off of revenue.

"Legislative rates chiseled down to the point of confiscation, in the face of higher wages and increased cost of material, and requiring the intervention of the courts to prevent their enforcement, are not in the interest of the shipping and traveling public. What the people want and ought to have is safe and efficient and constantly improving service. Before the railroads can furnish this they must be allowed to charge remunerative rates."

KILLS HIS MAN AND GIVES HIMSELF UP
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 23.—Stephen T. Hood, agent for the Fidelity and Casualty company here, was shot and instantly killed by Walter Blanton in the office of the company here early this evening. Immediately after the shooting Blanton, who was formerly employed by the Fidelity and Casualty company, surrendered to the police.

USES FLAG TO IMPRESS HIS PLEA UPON JURY
LANDSLIDE BLOCKS TRAFFIC.
BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Jan. 23.—A landslide, covering the Southern Pacific tracks over the Tehachapi mountain at tunnel No. 4, six miles east of California, is blocking all San Francisco Los Angeles traffic. Railroad officials do not expect to have the track clear before tomorrow noon. Southern Pacific and Santa Fe southbound trains are being held here while the northbound traffic is tied up at Mojave.

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OBTAINS BIG JUDGMENT AGAINST SALT LAKER

Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota Recovers for Payment on Nevada Mine.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 23.—Unable to get gold or gold producing property, a mine in which he had bought a half interest, ex-United States Senator R. F. Pettigrew of Sioux Falls, S. D., appealed to the United States court and yesterday succeeded in getting a judgment of \$14,576.77 against James A. Cunningham of Salt Lake City, who claimed to have sold him the mine. Pettigrew charged that the mine had not come up to his expectations and sued for \$12,000 and interest on that sum, which he claimed to have paid as a first installment on the half interest in the mine.

The mine was the Golden Fleeco, located in Nevada, and Senator Pettigrew was offered a half interest in it for \$37,500. It was after he paid his first installment of \$10,000 that the senator began to think that there was something in a name, and he started to ascertain whether he was being fleeced. He convinced himself that he was, and a decision rendered in the United States court of appeals today sustains the senator.

By the terms of this decision Pettigrew will recover his original payment of \$10,000 and \$4576.77 interest. Senator Pettigrew contracted for the purchase in 1901. The proposition was made by A. E. Hyde, James A. Cunningham and Jesse W. Fox, all of Salt Lake.

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HARRIMAN LIKELY TO LOSE \$2,000,000

There Appears Slim Chance for Teddy's Recommendation to Be Regarded.

GROWS OUT OF BREAK IN THE SALTON SEA

Smoot Holds That Southern Pacific Did Most of Work Protecting Own Property.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—That President Roosevelt's recommendations for an appropriation to reimburse E. H. Harriman for the expenditure of about \$2,000,000 by the Southern Pacific Railway company to control the overflow of the Colorado river into the Salton sea a few years ago will be disregarded by congress now appears probable. Hearings on this recommendation have been conducted by a subcommittee of the senate committee on claims composed of Senators Kean, Smoot and Martin.

The interests of Mr. Harriman have been represented before the committee by Maxwell Everts, who has urged that the Southern Pacific Railway company is entitled to reimbursement for the expenditure. The president's message also is before the subcommittee.

Smoot's Opposition.
Senator Smoot opposed the appropriation on the ground that the Southern Pacific spent most of the amount claimed in protecting its own property and the property of the California Development company in southern California, which is said to be controlled by the Harriman interests. Instead of making an appropriation of a million or more dollars in payment of the amount which President Roosevelt says is due Mr. Harriman, it seems likely that the committee will vote to send the claim to the court of claims for adjudication of the conflicting interests.

It is said that then a judgment will be issued in accordance with all the facts, and Mr. Harriman could be paid a sum equal only to the amount above what it would have been necessary for him to expend in the protection of his own property.

HOUSE REFUSES TO FURTHER AID MRS. COGHILAN
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—A large number of pension bills were passed by the house today and by the decisive vote of 42 to 103 the house refused to increase the pension of Julia B. Coghlan, widow of the late Rear Admiral Coghlan, U. S. N., from \$59 a month, as recommended by the committee on pensions, to \$100, as proposed in an amendment offered by Representative Olcott of New York.

Consideration of a bill to prohibit the importation of opium except for medicinal purposes was prevented by Mr. Payne of New York on the ground that such action would reduce the national revenue \$1,000,000 a month and would not lessen the use of the drug. At 2 o'clock the house adjourned until tomorrow, when memorial services will be held for the late Representative Dunwell of New York.

RETIREMENT ROLL OF NAVY MAY BE MODIFIED
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Senator Gallinger has undertaken to provide a retirement roll in the navy department for all the surviving officers of the navy or marine corps of the civil war, with a provision that each shall have three-fourths of the pay allowed him for the highest rank held by him, and has introduced a bill to that end.

Representative Fulton of Oklahoma has introduced a bill authorizing the commissioner of pensions to accept the correct age given by applicants for service pensions at the time of their enlistment.

FORAKER EXAMINING SECRETS OF STATE
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The confidential information concerning expenditures from the \$3,000,000 war deficiency fund, which was sent to the senate by President Roosevelt in a report to the Ohio senator today for examination at his home. The report was conveyed to the senator's house by a messenger from the office of the secretary of the senate, which messenger was instructed to return the document to the secret files of the senate when Mr. Foraker had finished his examination. The document contains a large amount of matter connected with the procurement of military information by secret agents sent to other governments, including Japan and Venezuela.

Will Make Colorado Pay.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The house committee on public lands today decided a report favorable to a bill which provides for the granting and patenting of the state of Colorado desert lands within the reservation formerly occupied by the Ute Indians. The state of Colorado will be required to pay \$125 an acre for the lands if the bill is passed by congress.

No Reason for Commission.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Claiming that there was no good reason why the commissioners to the Tokio exposition in 1917 should be continued in office until January 1, 1918, even without salaries and with only a small allowance for expenses as proposed in a senate bill as amended by the house, Representatives Payne of New York and Mann of Illinois in the house today proved the advisability of a bill making this provision.

COLONEL STERRETT DELIVERS ADDRESS

National G. A. R. Representative Gives a Most Instructive Talk.

HE PAYS A GRACEFUL TRIBUTE TO THE WOMEN

McKean Post and Woman's Relief Corps Install Their Officers.

The annual meeting of James B. McKean post, G. A. R., and the Woman's Relief corps, held Saturday evening in Odd Fellows hall, proved to be a gathering of more than ordinary interest. Besides the installation of officers of both the post and corps, there was an address by Col. Sterrett of the board of national officers, the presentation to Mrs. Emma Ramsey Morris of a handsome gold flag, and other presentations, together with a delightful musical and literary programme. Fisher Harris, secretary of the Commercial club, was elected an honorary member of the post, amid applause.

Officers for the post were first installed by Lucian H. Smyth, as follows: Commander, J. H. Wolcott; junior vice-commander, John Clark; chaplain, W. D. Gaby, surgeon, A. B. Laurence. This over, and the officers of the Women's Relief corps were installed, as follows, by Mrs. Ellen Short: President, Mrs. Augusta Dean; senior vice-commander, Martha Campbell; junior vice-commander, Christine Jenkins; secretary, Mary Dodge; treasurer, Adeline Patterson; chaplain, Mary Lacey; patriotic instructor, Lillian Duncan; press correspondent, Margaret Meskill; guard, Alfreda Lane; assistant guard, Mrs. Bird; conductor, Mary Laurence; assistant conductor, Mrs. Zimmerman; color bearers, Lizzie Smeltzer, Christine Cook, Mrs. Stuart and Mrs. Farrell.

Following the installation, the following programme was rendered: Piano solo, Miss Marjorie Short; presentation of past president's pin to Mrs. Martha Hines, by Mrs. Lillian Duncan; solo, "The Flag Without a Stain," Mrs. Emma Ramsey Morris. At this point Comrade Thomas Loughney stepped forward and presented Mrs. Morris with a handsome gold pin, suitably inscribed. In making the presentation, Mr. Loughney said: "Mrs. Emma Ramsey Morris, in the bustle and bustle of this life, as one struggles along to maintain an honorable career, as he marches along blazing his way through the forests of turmoil, strife and selfishness which always, more or less, confronts the one who leads an active life, it is a great pleasure that one can find some time to dedicate to the cause of the Republic, and that he feels in good and that has for its foundation justice and good will toward man."

Presentation Is Made.
"I am about to perform an act of that kind, which I may assure you I shall always cherish in my heart with pride, so in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Grand Army auxiliaries, I present to you a flag without a stain, emblematic of the soul-stirring song you have just so sweetly sung for the comrades of the department."

One reason I am so proud of this opportunity to extend to you the love and appreciation of the comrades of this state is because you are the daughter of an honorable veteran of that great struggle, where he nobly did his part in the defense of our country, which is now the loved emblem of a united nation and commands the most profound respect of the entire world. Take this token, comrade; it is but a piece of gold, but will carry to you the love and respect of the Grand Army organizations of the department of Utah, and it goes without saying that you will wear it with honor and love to the givers and pleasure to yourself.

The following is the inscription to be found upon the back of this flag: "A flag without a stain; a token of esteem, presented to Mrs. Emma Ramsey Morris, by the G. A. R. department of Utah."

After thanking the members for their gift, Mrs. Morris sang, "The Old Flag Never Touched the Ground." Mrs. Martha Hines read a poem which has been dedicated to the corps, after which A. L. Kisselberg, soloist in one of the Chicago churches, who has recently come here to reside, rendered two pleasing baritone solos. Mrs. John Reed delighted the audience with two readings, after which Col. Sterrett was introduced and spoke as follows:

Colonel Sterrett's Address.
On the walls of the corridors of time are hung the pictures of the great men and women of history. They have achieved renown, and have held exalted rank in every department of life's activities. Some of them have arisen to high military distinction. They have led mighty armies and at the forefront in the white heat of battle have inspired men to lofty deeds of heroism.

The history of the privation of Indian war and depredations, deeds of daring in the chase, and in defense of pioneer homes from the depredations of the Indians, the women of the frontier and the cavalier, incident to the growth of the thirteen original states, well calculated to produce 2,000,000 people deeply imbued with the holy fire of liberty.

A woman, Harriet Beecher Stowe, in one volume, did more to bring about the great war between the states than all the pulp and rostrum orators in the union. Pushing from the Atlantic border into the forests of the interior, the Puritan graven westward, north of the fortieth degree parallel, and the cavalier moved westward south of that parallel, until the civilization of Salem and Jamestown met in armed and bloody conflict on the plains of Kansas. This was the forerunner of

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